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Date Complaint Received:	4/18/14
Complaint Received By:	DHS
Provider Name and Location:	Jodie McWilliams, 3202 Westmar Dr., Bettendorf, IA 52722

Complaint: Complainant reports that there are numerous paint and/or chemical cans outside in the fenced in play area of the provider's home. The children are outside playing in the same area and would have access to these hazards.

Rule Basis: 441 Iowa Administrative Code, Chapter 110.5(1)h: A safe outdoor play area is maintained in good conditions throughout the year. Is kept free from litter, rubbish and flammable materials.

Findings: 4/21/14 Kathy Huinker, SW II responded to this complaint through an in-person visit to the home on 4/21/14. Discussed the complaint with Jodie McWilliams. Ms. McWilliams admitted that there were several paint cans near the fence in the children's outdoor play area. Ms. McWilliams agreed to remove the paint cans immediately from the children's play area. There is a preponderance of evidence to indicate that these allegations are true.

Resolution: Kathy Huinker watched Ms. McWilliams' four day care children for approximately 3-4 minutes while Ms. McWilliams ran outside and removed the paint cans from the children's play area. Ms. McWilliams put the paint cans on the outside of the fence for a temporary solution, since the children do not have access to this area (it is not in their play area and they do not pass by it to enter the backyard). Ms. McWilliams agreed to dispose of the paint cans at once. Ms. McWilliams will notify DHS when the paint cans have been permanently disposed.

If you have any questions regarding this matter feel free to contact me at 563-326-8215 or email address khuinke@dhs.state.ia.us.

Sincerely,

Kathy Huinker, SWII

Social Worker